



I BROUGHT
SOMETHING FOR
EVERYONE!







AH, PERHAPS ARE
WE GOING TO HAVE
A MEETING IN THE
STAFF ROOM?



GOOD MORNING
KANeko-SAN.
SORRY,
DID I HURT
YOU?



THAT'S RIGHT.
FROM NOW A NEW
MEMBER WILL
JOIN THE CAST
SO I THOUGHT IT
WOULD BE A
GOOD IDEA TO
INTRODUCE HIM.



I'M FINE, I'M
FINE! GOOD
MORNING!



HE'S GOING TO
PLAY THE CHARACTER
OF MORI RANMARU. HIS
NAME IS MURAI SHOU,
MURAI-KUN, THIS IS
KATO-SAN.



I'M MURAI SHOU.
THIS WILL BE MY
DEBUT SO
I APOLOGIZE
FROM NOW FOR THE
INCONVENIENCES
I MAY CAUSE. IT'S
A PLEASURE
TO MEET YOU.



He has a cute face
fitting perfectly
with the
character of
Ranmaru



THAT'S
BECAUSE
THEY HAVE HIGH
EXPECTATIONS
OF HIM.

YOU'RE GOING TO
WORK WITH THE
DIRECTOR
MOCHIMUNE IN
YOUR DEBUT~?
YOUR AGENCY IS
TOO CRUEL..



Although,
that's not
necessarily
enough



STILL,
RANMARU'S
CHARACTER
IS...



I WILL,
KATO-SAN! I
KNOW I CAN
IMPROVE A LOT

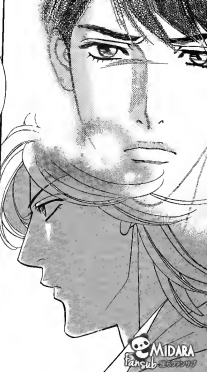


WELL, IF YOU GOT
HERE ALREADY, DO
YOUR VERY BEST.



EH? WHAT
HAPPEN?

I'M SORRY
BUT THERE'S
SOMETHING
I WANT TO
ASK YOU.









Even though we were
born in the same year

IN CASE
YOU
DIDN'T KNOW, I'M
YOUNGER THAN
IWAKI-KUN



YOU'RE
ALREADY ONE
YEAR OLDER—



CONGRATULA-
TION'S DIRECTOR!



THE AGE APPEARANCE
IS VERY DIFFERENT
BETWEEN AN ACTOR
AND PEOPLE WORKING
BEHIND THE SCENES.
AND FIRST OF ALL,
IWAKI-KUN IS AN
ABNORMAL BEING FOR
LOOK SO YOUNG, I'M
NORMAL THOUGH.



I knew it...

WHAT?
REALLY?!
THEN I THINK
YOU MUST
SHAVE THAT
BEARD!



HE LOOKS HALF
OF HIS AGE, JUST
AS THAT GUY WHO'S
GONNA DO
HIS DEBUT.

IT'S POSSIBLE
THAT HE HAS THAT
YOUTHFUL LOOK



—LEAVING
THAT ASIDE...!



CHEER
HIM UP!

THE GUY THAT HELPED
ME TO TAKE THE CAKE
HERE IS MURAI
SHOU-KUN WHO'S
GONNA JOIN THE
CAST FROM NOW!



He's just
a brat...

Haa...



EH?
MURAI-KUN HOW
OLD ARE YOU?!

scared

AH!
I'M 18





KATO-SAN IS REALLY GOOD FOR ADJUST WITH ANY SET AND HE GETS THE TRUST OF ANY DIRECTOR. THAT PRODUCES SOME JEALOUSY IN THE STAFF, THOUGH.

AND ABOUT THAT ACTOR YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, HE'S IN THE FIRST PLACE OF POPULARITY-- HIS LOOK IS ONE OF THE REASONS.

BUT EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT IN THE END, HE'S THE GROUP LEADER.



WHAT ARE
YOU SAYING?
I JUST HAD TO
GO FEW DAYS
FOR A SPECIAL
FILM.

I'D BE MORE
WORRIED IF THEY
HAVEN'T HAD
CALLED ME.



AA-H AGAIN
TO KYOTO?
HOW FAST.



I SAY IT BEAUSE
I KNOW THAT
IWAKI-SAN RATHERS
STAY HOME DURING
THESE DAYS.



IN THIS TIME, IS
POSSIBLE THAT IT
WOULD BE DIFFICULT
FOR YOU BECAUSE
YOU'RE A NEWBIE, BUT
IF IT'S YOU, I DON'T
DOUBT YOU'RE GONNA
DO A GREAT WORK.

LEARN FROM
KATO-SAN'S
WORK TOO.

THE EXPERIENCE WILL
COME WITH THE TIME, SO
STUDY A LOT, OK?



THEN IN
KYOTO



THAT'S IT...
I ALREADY
RESERVED IN AN
INN INSIDE
AN ONSEN...

IT'S REALLY
CLOSE FROM
THE FILMING
PLACE.

THAT
MAN...

HE'S MY...



BUT THAT WAS THE
BEST CHOICE.
IT'S SAID THAT
A CHANGE IN
ATMOSPHERE
REDUCES THE
STRESS SYMPTOMS.



SORRY FOR HAVE
DONE SOMETHING
SO SELFISH, BUT
I WAS ANXIOUS
FOR COME BACK.



THEN, TAKE THE
TIME YOU THINK IS
NECESSARY FOR
GET BETTER—

IF KATO-SAN
COMES WITH YOU, THE
EFFECTS WOULD BE
EVEN BETTER.



AS PRESIDENT,
IT'S MY DUTY TO
CREATE A PLEASANT
WORKING
ENVIRONMENT.

I UNDERSTAND
IT BY MYSELF
BECAUSE I'M ACTOR
TOO SO I WAS
THINKING OF THE WAY
I CAN CONTRIBUTE.



ABOUT THAT... I
HAVE SOMETHING TO
TELL YOU—....

surprise



Tender Greens

 MIDARA
Pansab

I'd like to have the hope of an eternal love as a natural providence coming and going.



UNTIL NOW, I WAS
FORCING MY BODY TO
THE LIMIT WITHOUT
CONSIDERING I'M NOT
SO YOUNG ALREADY.

I'VE SUFFERED
THE CONSEQUENCES
OF POSTPONE
THAT ASPECT.

BUT IT'S
BECAUSE
I WANT TO
WORK HARD.

I THINK IS MY
NATURAL WAY OF
ACT TO ANY
CIRCUMSTANCE.



NOW I REGRET
OUR ATTITUDE
THAT DIDN'T STOP
YOU OF RUIN YOUR
HEALTH.

I WAS
THE CAUSE.

EVEN IF I'D WANT
TO ESCAPE FROM MY
DUTIES, AS THE
PRESIDENT, THE
RESPONSIBILITY
RESTS IN ME
COMPLETELY.

WE NOTICED
LATER THAT YOU
WERE CARRYING
WITH ALL THE
RESPONSIBILITIES.



HE DOESN'T HAVE TOO MUCH EXPERIENCE BUT DON'T WORRY, I ALSO WERE IN THE SAME SITUATION.

YOU'RE GOING TO ACCUMULATE KNOWLEDGE IF YOU WALK BY THIS TORTUOUS WAY — NOURISH THIS YOUNG SPROUT IS GOING TO MAKE ME REALLY HAPPY.

—PART OF ME IS STILL AN ACTOR, THAT WON'T CHANGE— ALSO, MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMPANY HAS NOT BEEN MY IDEA BUT THE ONE OF A ROOKIE IN TRAINING.

PRESIDENT...



BUT DON'T FORGET YOUR HEALTH IS WEAK...!!

beats



ANYWAY, IT'S THE SAME FOR ME. IT SEEMS LIKE HE HAS TO SCALE FROM THE BOTTOM.



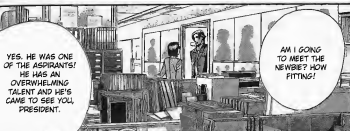
EXCUSE THE
INTERRUPTION.
SHIWZU-SAN,

BY THE MOMENT,
THE TERMS OF THE
CONTRACT ARE BEING
DISCUSSED BUT IS IT
OK IF AMAGI-KUN
RETURNS NOW?

YES. I WAS
GOING TO TALK
ABOUT THAT
JUST NOW.

YEAH!

IT'S NOT THAT.
I'M REALLY EXCITED
AND I FEEL WITH A
STRONG SPIRIT.



YES. HE WAS ONE
OF THE ASPIRANTS!
HE HAS AN
OVERWHELMING
TALENT AND HE'S
CAME TO SEE YOU,
PRESIDENT.

AM I GOING
TO MEET THE
NEWBIE? HOW
FITTING!



IWAKI-SAN!!

THEN, THAT
AMAGI-KUN YOU
WERE TALKING
ABOUT...?



YOUKO-CHAN!!

YOUSUKE, —
HE IS THE
PRESIDENT



YOUSUKE-KUN?!



SORRY FOR KEEP
IT IN SECRET, BUT
YOUR HEALTH WAS
A PRIORITY. BY THE
WAY, I THOUGHT IT
WOULD BE
SELF-DEFEATING
FOR YOUSUKE

BECAUSE
SOMEONE CAN
THINK HE COULD GET
THIS ACHIEVEMENT
FOR HAVE A
CONTACT WITH THE
PRESIDENT.

EH? THAT MEANS
THE NEWBIE IS
YOU, YOUSUKE!?
SHIMIZU-SAN, WHY
DIDN'T YOU TELL IT
BEFORE?

I KNEW IT WHEN
THEY TOOK THE
DECISION.

WHAT
HAPPENS,
SOLMA.
LET'S GO.

DO YOU AGREE
WITH THIS?
AFER ALL,
YOUSUKE WAS
THE GENS OF THE
KATO FAMILY.



PRESIDENT! IS THAT TRUTH!??

BUT MY BROTHER
IS GOING TO TAKE
THE AGENCY IN
CHARGE IN THE
FUTURE, REALLY?



Hmph!

FROM THE
BEGINNING,
BOOSTED JUST BY
THE INFLUENCES
IN THE AGENCY...



WE STILL
HAVEN'T
DISCUSS
THAT!



IS THE
TRUTH... ABOUT
THAT--...



EVEN IF WE HAVE
TALKED A LOT
ABOUT OUR
CAREERS...

WE HAVEN'T
SAID ANYTHING
ABOUT CHANGE
THE AGENCY.
SHIMIZU-SAN,
DON'T ANTICIPATE
TO THE FACTS

...I'M
SORRY



ESPECIALLY
IF IT'S YOU
YOUSUKE-
KUN—...

IT'S COMPLICATED...
EVEN IF IT'S ME WHO
TELLS YOU... BY THE
WAY, IT'S NOTHING
THAT INTERESTS
A BOY.

THE CHILDHOOD IS
THE SHORTEST OF THE
PHASES, BUT IT'S ALSO
THE ONE THAT HAS THE
BEST MOMENTS, SO
YOU DON'T HAVE TO
WORRY ABOUT THAT
STUFF.



I WAS THINKING IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT
FOR YOUSUKE TO OBTAIN HIS OWN MERITS
WITHOUT BEING COMPARED. FURTHERMORE,
HE COULDN'T HIDE HIS IDENTITY BECAUSE
HE HAS REALLY SIMILAR PHYSICAL
CHARACTERS. AND THE CONDITIONS OF THE
CHILD ACTORS IS DIFFERENT, I SUPPOSE
IT'S BECAUSE THE PARENTS THINK THE
EDUCATIVE CONTENT OF THE TELEVISION
IS NOT GOOD.

ABOUT THE OTHER
STUFF, YOUR
UNCLE IS AN
EXTRAORDINARY
PERSON WORTHY
OF BEING SEEN



[I WANT TO BE
WITH IWAKI-SAN]

EVEN SO,
I WON'T STOP
THE DREAMS OF
A KID—...

[I DON'T
MEAN THAT,
MOM. I WANT
TO GET IN THE
TELEVISION
WORLD.]

[WE'LL SEE—
IWAKI-SAN IS
REALLY BUSY FOR
TAKE VISITS...]

OF COURSE I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS WORK, I CAN'T ASK YOU TO BE KIND LIKE ALWAYS, IWAKI-SAN,

THIS BOY IS DIFFERENT FROM MY BROTHER, BUT I ASK YOU FOR TAKE HIM IN, PLEASE.

IS FOR THAT... I WANT TO TELL YOU.. IWAKI-SAN, EVEN IF IT'S A LITTLE, I ASK YOU FOR TAKE CARE OF YOUSUKE...

I'LL DO IT— I'LL PROTECT HIM CAREFULLY

EH? IS HE ALSO GOING TO KYOTO?

HE'S EXCITED ABOUT THE KYOTO STUFF.

ABOUT THAT, KATOU DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, DOES HE?

NOBODY HAVE TOLD HIM ANYTHING.



WELL... HE HAS TO
FILM THERE AND IT
WILL BE A MEDICAL
TREATMENT FOR ME.

ME TOO...
I WANNA GO TO SEE
YOU AND SEE HOW
YOU WORK.



NO...
I WON'T ACT
ON LOCATION.

IS THAT TRUE? I
HOPE IT WON'T BE A
NUISANCE. HE CAN
RETURN TAKING THE
TREN BALA. I'LL
COME FOR HIM WHEN
YOU FINISH.

UH...

OH, THAT'S AN
EXCELLENT IDEA. HAVE
CONTACT WITH THE
SCENES FILMING IN
LOCATION WILL BE A
GREAT INCENTIVE!

I'm sorry,
Katou...

I already can
hear him

I THOUGHT WE
WERE GOING TO
BE JUST THE TWO
OF US!!





DON'T HOLD BACK.
I CAN TAKE YOU TO
YOUR HOTEL IF
YOU WANT.

IT'S NOT
NECESSARY. IT'S
REALLY CLOSE
FROM HERE SO I'LL
GO WALKING.

WELL THEN,
TAKE CARE. GOOD
WORK TODAY.
SEE YOU
TOMORROW.

THANKS FOR
EVERYTHING!



EH? WHAT
HAPPENS...?



EXCUSE ME...





THE TRUTH IS
THAT I HAVE A
FAVOR TO ASK
YOU FOR...

HAA....



LET'S GO, YOU CAN
TELL ME. HERE
YOU'RE SAVE,
ARE YOU?

I DON'T KNOW
WHAT'S THIS
TALKING ABOUT BUT
IF I CAN HELP YOU,
I WILL



COULD YOU MAKE
THAT IWAKI
KYOUSUKE-SAN AND
I MEET? ... —



SHOCK



OPENS



WHY WOULD I
DO THAT?

suddenly
changed!

AH

BH...?!



IWAKI-SAN
HAS NO
INTENTIONS OF
GET INTIMATE
WITH A
YOUNG GUY.

YOU'RE WRONG.
IT'S NOT ABOUT
THAT....!!

AH!!!



I'M SORRY BUT
WHEN IT IS ABOUT
IWAKI-SAN, I CAN
BE VERY PETTY



..... WHAT DID
YOU SAY?

THERE'S THE
POSSIBILITY
IWAKI-SAN
WOULD BE MY
FATHER!!!

THAT'S WHAT...
MY MOTHER
TOLD ME...

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GOLD
TO BE CONTINUED

MIDARA
Flash



AND BEING HONEST, I
WAS VERY HAPPY
KNOWING HE WOULD
COME BACK HOME...
ALL THE DAYS WERE
REALLY BUSY.

ALTHOUGH SPENDING
DAYS READING BOOKS
WILL MAKE MY BODY
GOES ATROPHIED.



DO YOU
DISLIKE IT—?
YOU HAVE
NO CHOICE, YOU
SHOULD REST.



AND THE WHOLE
STAFF KNOWS I
PREFER TO BE BY
YOUR SIDE

BY THE WAY,
THE DAY OF THE
PARTY CELEBRATING
THE FILMING,
MIKE-SAN LOOKED
DIFFERENT... HE
RECEIVED GOOD
REVIEWS

...I
SUPPOSE
HE WAS
WORRIED



YEAH,
I KNOW
I STILL HAVE
RESTRICTIONS

WAIT,
WHAT IF
YOU STAY
AT YOUR
FAMILY'S
PLACE?

EVERYBODY WOULD
LIKE TO BE SURE
YOU ARE IN A
GOOD HEALTH



[I WAS REALLY
HAPPY TO KNOW HE
WOULD GO BACK
HOME]

Iwaki-san,
no matter what you
say, I know you're
glad to return.

YOU'RE RIGHT...
IN THAT HOUSE...
I HAVE NOT MUCH TO
DO IN TOKYO AND I
HAVE NO DOUBT IN
THE FAMILY'S HOUSE
I WILL BE ABLE
TO RELAX

I'll wait, day by day
your return or will
be you who waits
for me?

 MIDARA
Fansub



THAT'S FINE,
I WILL. DON'T
WORRY.

THERE'S A
LOT OF HUSTLE
ALREADY SO THE
NEXT SHOT WILL BE
TAKEN IN A
DIFFERENT PLACE.
DON'T FORGET YOU
SHOULD REST
PROPERLY!

WE'RE ALSO
GOING TO FILM THE
FINAL SCENE FOR
[BASARA], AS SOON
AS I'M DONE WITH
THE FILMING, BOTH OF
US ARE GOING TO
TAKE A REST AND
SPEND TIME
TOGETHER!



I MUST GO

YEAH... DO
YOUR BEST

I KNOW!

I'M LOOKING
FORWARD FOR IT.
HEY... IF I DON'T
HURRY, I'LL LOOSE
THE TRAIN.







